

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
D	142



own Lexington

Address 1445 Mass. Ave.

ame _____

resent use _____

resent owner Stephen Thernstrom

escription: _____

ite C. 1795

Source _____

yle Federal Greek Revival (ell)

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Federal section faces side

road, alteration changed main facade to
street side, standard 5 bay

Altered Yes Date C.1830

Moved Yes, from front of Date C.1910
lot to rear

5. Lot size:

One acre or less _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 175'

Approximate distance of building from street

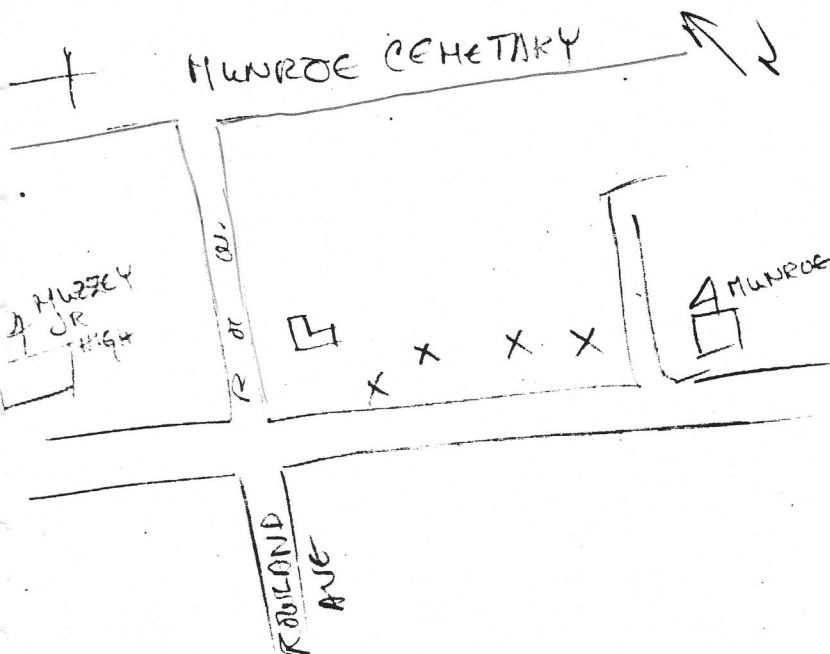
100'

6. Recorded by E. W. Reinhardt

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Date 7/30/75

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) ell -Levi Read, C. 1790 judging by old deeds

Original use front, c. 1816 built by Chandler brothers as store

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Grocery store c. 1830's

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Descrip cont:

1 room deep farmhouse; porch added rear right; ell & shed, greenhouse.

Abel Chandler kept a grocery store in this house when it was nearer to road, early 19th. c. (c. 1830). Canavan says brothers Samuel & Daniel probably backed him.

Historical significance (continued)

According to a former owner, Keith Butters, the five bay portion of the house stood nearer Massachusetts Avenue at one time and was moved back to join an older, four room structure in the rear. In remodeling, the Butters broke through an interior wall and uncovered exterior siding.

See information in the archives of the Lexington Historical Society, Acc. #6642.

S. Lawrence Whipple, 1984

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)